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CENTRAL ASIA (SPECA)**

Seventeenth session of the SPECA Governing Council

**18 November 2022 (09:00 – 13:00 hrs.)
Almaty, Kazakhstan and online**

ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Opening of the session

Opening of the session by a high-level representative of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the SPECA Chair country in 2022, followed by the opening statements of the Executive Secretaries of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), and the Heads of Delegation of the SPECA participating countries.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The Governing Council will consider the adoption of the agenda of its seventeenth session.

3. Outcomes of the 2022 SPECA Economic Forum on “Greener and Safer Future”

Report by the ESCAP and UNECE secretariats followed by discussion. The Governing Council will consider the adoption of the Almaty Declaration of the 2022 SPECA Economic Forum.

4. SPECA activities since the last session of the Governing Council (Tashkent, Uzbekistan and online, 19 November 2021)

Progress reports of the SPECA Thematic Working Groups will be circulated in advance of the session. Progress reports of the SPECA Thematic Working Groups followed by discussion:

- Working Group on Water, Energy and Environment
- Working Group on Sustainable Transport, Transit and Connectivity
- Working Group on Trade
- Working Group on Innovation and Technology for Sustainable Development
- Working Group on Gender and SDGs
- Working Group on Investments and Financial Technical Cooperation

The Governing Council will consider the progress made in the implementation of activities of the SPECA Thematic Working Groups since the sixteenth session of the Governing Council and provide guidance for the effective implementation of further activities in 2022-2023.

5. SPECA Fund, SPECA Secretariat and other issues

The Governing Council will consider progress on the establishment of the SPECA Fund and SPECA secretariat and other issues.

6. Election of the next Chair country of SPECA

7. Date and venue of the 2023 SPECA Economic Forum and eighteenth session of the SPECA Governing Council

8. Other business

9. Adoption of decisions

10. Closing of the session

Closing statements by the Heads of Delegation of the SPECA participating countries, as well as the Executive Secretaries of ESCAP and UNECE.